COYOTES STAYING IN PHOENIX FOR NOW, PG13







Child critical after being hit by a bus

ACCIDENT A five-year-old boy was taken to Alberta Children's Hospital in critical condition after being hit by a school bus yesterday afternoon in northeast Calgary.

Police cordoned off an area on Whitehorn Drive and Whitlock Way shortly after 4 p.m. after reports the boy was struck.

It's believed the boy suffered a serious head injury, and the driver of the bus did not suffer injury, but was distraught by the collision.

Calgary police are investigating the incident.

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Hoop dance Aboriginal Awareness Week



Erik Pipestem, 19, performs a hoop dance at the opening ceremonies for Aboriginal Awareness Week at Olympic Plaza. The week will be full of various traditional events leading up to the national Aboriginal Awareness Day June 21.

Taser inquiry can find misconduct

JEFF HODSON Metro Canada

RULING A civilian inquiry can make findings of misconduct against four Mounties who Tasered a Polish immigrant at Vancouver's airport, B.C.'s Supreme Court ruled yesterday.

Justice Arne Silverman rejected arguments by the officers' lawvers that the inquiry - headed by retired judge Thomas Braidwood — does not have the right to consider allegations that the officers had

Background

• The inquiry, which began in January and has heard from about 100 people, including the four RCMP officers, will begin hearing final arguments on Friday.

acted improperly or mis-represented the facts to justify their actions.

Robert Dziekanski, 40, who was immigrating to Canada to live with his mother in Kamloops, B.C., died in the early morning of Oct. 14, 2007, after he was Tasered five times by

RCMP at Vancouver International Airport.

A Victoria man captured the incident on video and subsequent release sparked interest in the case around the world.

Commission counsel Art Vertlieb said Silverman's to continue his mandate for a full reporting into circumstances Dziekanski's death.

"(Braidwood) may have to make findings of credibility about some of the witnesses to figure out what happened," Vertlieb

Council failing: Report

Mayor rebuffs group's grading

KRISTA SYLVESTER

Mayor Dave Bronconnier is faithfully defending city council after a coalition of city organizations delivered failing grades to more than half of its aldermen.

The Coalition for Property Tax Fairness (CPTF), com-prised of eight business member lobby groups and The Canadian Taxpayers Federation, released its first Calgary Municipal Report Card yesterday, giving the majority of city council less than a C+ on a number of issues regarding how coun-

cil has been operating. Bronconnier said he doesn't put much stock into the report he calls an attempt by businesses to put the bulk of property tax onto individuals instead of the nearly 50/50 even split it is

now.
"You know what, I think city council is on the right track," Bronconnier said. "I certainly know what I stand for and if I had to do it again, I would do it all again tomorrow," he said, adding council has simply responded to the needs and wants of Calgarians.

Bronconnier, who received a D, said he will be judged where it matters most.

Report card

Calgary alderman ratings

• McIver – A+ Chabot – A

Colley-Urquhart - B+

• Connelly - B

• Stevenson - B

Jones – C

• Hodges – C-• Hawkesworth – D+

Mar – D+

• Lowe - D

• Ceci – D

• Bronconnier – D

• Pincott – D-

• Fox-Mellway – F

• Farrell - F

"Well, the grade ... I will give myself, will be at the ballot box in 2010 from the city of Calgary."

Bill Partridge, vice-president of the Building Owner and Manager's Association and one of the founding CPTF members, said the report is intended to draw attention to how council is

performing.
"To be blunt, we were shocked by the results. We're concerned we're not getting the leadership our deserves," Partridge city said.

But Partridge said there were some bright spots in the clouds, referring to Ward 12 Ald. Ric McIver who received an A+ and Ward 10 Ald. Andre Chabot, who received an A.

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Within five years Calgary police officers will be able to get access to not just criminal's records, but detailed investigation notes written on the suspect, said MLA Rob Anderson. This is part of a new database that allows officers access to investigations between jurisdictions, according to Anderson. METRO CALGARY

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Local



Man robs TD Canada Trust

Calgary police are on the lookout for a Caucasian male, in his early 50s with a goatee, about five-foot-six and 155 pounds after the suspect entered the TD Canada Trust in the 200 block of Saddletown Circle NE June 13 around 12:30 p.m. and produced a note demanding money and displayed a weapon to the teller. An undisclosed amount of money was given to him and he left the bank. METRO CALGARY

Alberta in brief

TOUR Alberta Liberal Leader David Swann kicked off his official summer tour Monday from the Good Earth Café at Glenmore Landing.

RESEARCH Husky Energy continued its support for the University of Calgary's asphalt research and development program, with a \$ 4.4-million fiveyear commitment announced yesterday.

HOUSING Calgary will receive \$41.6 million as a part of \$278 million in capital funding set out by the provincial government for affordable housing. Edmonton will receive \$30 mil-

FIRE A van caught fire at a Gas Plus location at 2364 - 20 Ave. NE and was fully engulfed when fire crews arrived. No one was hurt and fire investigators are trying to determine the source.

DAISIES City of Calgary cemeteries will be giving away free daisies to remember dads on Father's Day. Flowers will be issued from the Queen's Park Cemetery admin office for placement at any City of Calgary cemetery.

SENTENCE A Calgary man was given a life sentence in prison yesterday after pleading guilty to second-degree murder for killing his former girlfriend. Vuong Minh Vu will not be eligible for parole for 10 years in the 2007 death of Stephanie Novak.

WARNING Police are warning the public about a banking scam that defrauded a Calgary senior last week. A person claiming to be a bank manager called a local 90-year-old woman asking for her help to trap a thief by withdrawing large amounts of money to do

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Urban artistic expression

AMY GREGSON for Metro Calgary

A partnership between community members and construction companies continues to create art opportunities for youth on construction sites in Calgary.

Fifteen-year-old Brandon Hopkins' photos of graffiti and statues from downtown Calgary are among work from 11 youth being displayed on hoarding boards on the corner of 8th Avenue and 5th Street.

"I like urban art. It's something I enjoy doing," said Hopkins, who is from the Boys and Girls Club of Calgary, about his choice of photos. "I graffiti boards a lot in my garage."

Metro-supported The community Boardworx project was created to give youth the opportunity to engage in art and give con-



Jenn Courchene, 18, left, Saeada Basa, 17, and Shawntel Cole, 15, all students who were involved in The Eighth Avenue Place Community Boardworx Project hold some of their photos that are on display around the construction hoarding.

struction companies a 25 per cent reduction on hoarding permits, said Aviva Zimmerman from the urban youthworx clubs of Calgary.

"It's great for the public because it is beautifying the city because there's so

much construction and creating art opportunities for young people," said Zim-

The artwork is shown on hoarding boards, which separate the construction site from the street.

"This project has been

unique because we did photography instead of paintings," said Zimmerman.

The youth involved, including Hopkins, were mentored in photography by education and fine arts students at the University of

Charges laid in 14th Avenue sexual assault

KRISTA SYLVESTER krista.svlvester@metronews.ca

CRIME Police are crediting a victim's detailed description of her attacker for catching a suspect in a sex assault last week

Staff Sgt. Ralph Vecken-stedt said an officer spotted a car and suspect at a city car wash matching the description, and later identified by the victim in a photo lineup.

"We were able to piece it together," Veckenstedt said. "The victim is shaken up but doing a lot better now that we have a suspect.'

On Thursday, a 21-yearold woman was walking her dog along 14 Avenue and 42 Street SE when she was pinned up against the car by a man making sexual comments until passerby came to her aid.

Police are still looking for the witness to come forward. Kenneth Michael O'Reilly, 47, of Calgary, has been charged with sexual assault and forcible confinement.

Cancer survivors power pedallers across country

AMY GREGSON for Metro Calgary

EVENT Bike riders in the

Sears National Kids Cancer Ride stopped in Calgary yesterday for some extra motivation in their journey across Canada.

Heather Jager and 35 other national riders heard from other cancer survivors and noted Calgarians like Lanny McDonald who gave them their support.



Cross Canada riders with cancer survivors at Marlborough Mall.

"It really brought home to me that this has an impact on families, kids and their day-to-day lives and that has become my primary motivation,"

Jager from Delia, Alta.

Many of the national riders have been affective by kids' cancer. In Calgary, 60 community riders joined the national riders and will

bike with them to Strathmore. The ride started in Vancouver on June 13 and will finish in Halifax on 24. More than \$900,000 has already been raised said Jeff Rushton, founder of the coast-tocoast ride. The goal is to raise \$2,000,000. Rushton said the funds raised go towards Canada's 17 pediatric hematology and oncology programs across the country. For more information visit searsnation alkidscancerride.com



Video Summer election talk lingers after Stephen Harper's response to Michael Ignatieff at metronews.ca/



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Blood testing has ruled out a farm worker as the source of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, in a Canadian herd of pigs, Alberta's health department said yesterday. REUTERS

Canada

PM, Iggy play chicken

Harper offers to meet with Liberal

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says he's willing to talk, but is unwilling to adopt Liberal proposals to enrich the employment insurance scheme — a declaration that appeared to set the country on course to a summer election.

By the end of a day, Harper offered to meet Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff in a bid to avoid a campaign that could be triggered as early as Friday when the final bill on the government's budget is put to a vote in the Commons.

The Liberals accepted the offer to meet today. But the two men appear to agree on only one thing.

"Mr. Ignatieff said he

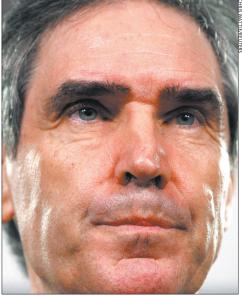
doesn't want an election,"

1.1 reporters. "I don't think anybody in Canada wants or expects an election."

Ignatieff said the Liberals would vote against the budget bill unless Harper agrees to provide details on further El reforms, vaguely promised for the fall, the amount spent so far on the government's economic stimulus measures, future deficit reduction plans and plans to address a shortage of medical isotopes triggered by the reactor shutdown in Chalk River, Ont.

Because Friday's vote is on a budget implementation bill, it is automatically a confidence vote.

The Liberals supported



Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff listens to a question during a news conference in Ottawa yesterday. The federal Opposition leader said yesterday the Liberals were prepared to bring down the government later this week unless it received details of planned improvements to the jobless benefits system.

government's budget bill in January. However, after a weekend of studythe ing the government's progress report on its economic rescue package, Ignatieff said yesterday it is not dealing responsibly with the economic crisis or the shortage of isotopes needed for cancer and heart scans.

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NDP stance

plementation bill.

News in brief

 If the Liberals are banking on the NDP getting cold feet and supporting the Conservatives in a confidence vote this week then they should think again, says NDP Leader Jack Layton, noting the party will oppose the budget im-

Alberta firm on oil, gas royalty regime

ENERGY Alberta is standing firm on its newly changed oil and gas royalty regime but it is still willing to talk to the energy industry about ways to prevent fur-ther drops in drilling, the province's energy minister

said yesterday.
Energy Minister Mel
Knight made the comments as some industry executives said the controversial royalty framework, which came into effect at the start of this year, repelled capital, even with incentives put in place

"I don't have any ability

to go back and we're not going back," Knight told reporters after speaking to

an industry conference.
"What we're going to do is we're going to go forward, and as we go forward we will continue to work with industry play-

Alberta made a high-profile series of changes to its system of charging economic rent to energy companies, moves that won the ire of the industry that is the largest contributor of revenue for the provincial government.

REUTERS

ST JEAN BAPTISTE Recalling the language standoffs of earlier decades many had thought disappeared, a sponsor of a St. Jean Baptiste Day festival has demanded producers drop two anglophone bands from the show's lineup. But the producers of the show, set for the Montreal neighbourhood of Rosemont, yesterday said

they're standing firm.

ISOTOPES Calling it one of the biggest crises in the history of the profession, Robert Atcher, head of the Society of Nuclear Medicine — an international nuclear medicine group — says the shutdown of Canada's Chalk River, Ont., reactor last month is forcing "several thousand" heart and cancer scans a day to be cancelled or moved to the U.S. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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The blue butterfly died out in Britain 30 years ago because of disruptions to a life cycle that includes pretending to be an ant, according to a study that points to smarter ways to protect wildlife. Research hints at how governments can use science to achieve UN goals of slowing a loss of animal and plant species. REUTERS

World



Women not raunchy enough: Publisher

Women are not passionate enough about sex and concentrate too much on feelings to be able to write raunchy stories, the new owner of Britain's Erotic Review said yesterday. Determined not to let the magazine be "drowned in oestrogen," Kate Copstick said she would have almost exclusively male writers as they knew a lot more about sex. "I think women, too many of them, whether it's nature or nurture or politics, they're not straightforward about sex," Copstick said.

Thailand Flu fears



Workers clean a street in Pattaya, Thailand, yesterday. The Thai Public Health Ministry confirmed a total of 201 cases of influenza A (H1N1), also known as swine flu, and predicted more cases will be found, particularly in schools and factories. The ministry is endeavouring to contain the outbreak.

Prosecutor seeks end to Scientology

FRANCE A French prosecutor yesterday recommended a Paris court should dissolve the Church of Scientology's French branch when it rules on charges of fraud against the organization. The Church's Paris headquarters and bookshop are defendants in a fraud trial that began on May 25.

The Church of Scientology denies the fraud charges and says the case against it violates freedom of religion.

Taliban beat musicians

AFGHANISTAN Taliban fighters beat musicians, shaved their heads and left them tied to trees overnight because they performed at an Afghan wedding, a village tribal chief said yesterday. While in power from 1996-2001, the Taliban banned music as un-Islamic.

The militants have returned to areas in the east and south of the country, violence sharply spiked in recent years. They attack govern-ment officials, Afghan po-REUTERS lice, foreign troops and schools that teach girls, another practice they forbid

"A party was going on when a group of Taliban grabbed five musicians and started beating them and smashing their musical instruments," said Rahmatullah Khan, a head of Merke Khel village in the east of the country.

Afghan weddings and engagement parties in rural areas are traditionally celebrated with hundreds of guests, music and singing that often continues until late at night.

Militia fires on **Iranian protesters**

Iran's hardline Islamic Basii militiamen killed at least one person yesterday and wounded more when their building was attacked by demonstrators protesting an election they say was stolen by President

Mahmoud Ahmadinejad.

An Iranian photographer at the scene witnessed the shooting, which came during a demonstration by tens of thousands in the capital Tehran in support of opposition candidate Mir Hossein Mousavi who has appealed the election result.

Gunfire was also heard in three districts of wealthy northern Tehran, residents said. Speaking before the shooting, Mousavi said he was "ready to pay any price"

Crisis point

• Ebrahim Yazdi, leader of the banned opposition Freedom Movement, said Ahmadinejad's attacks on his opponents had opened a "Pandora's box" of divisions within the establishment and between the people and their government. 'It is the biggest crisis since the revolution," he said.

in his fight against election irregularities, his website

quoted him as saying. Members of Iran's security forces have at times fired into the air during two days of the Iranian capital's most violent unrest since the 1979 Islamic Revolution,

and used batons to beat protesters who have pelted police with stones. The Basij militia is a volunteer paramilitary force fiercely loyal to Supreme Leader Avatollah Ali Khamenei, who has the final say on all matters of state in Iran

The butterfly effect

Earlier during the rally, a Reuters reporter said supporters had Mousavi formed a human chain outside the Basij building in order to prevent any trouble when demonstrators passed it. Mousavi said he was not optimistic about his appeal against the result of Friday's election to the 12-man Guardian Council, six of them selected by Khamenei, six elected by parliament.

REUTERS

News in brief

YEMEN Three women from a party of nine kidnapped foreigners have been found dead in Yemen, officials said vesterday, in a rare killing that comes as separatist and militant tensions intensify. Yemeni state news agency Saba said the three were part of a group of nine — seven Germans, a Briton and a Korean — that included three children and their mother and were kidnapped last week in the mountainous Saada region bordering Saudi Arabia. Two of the dead women were German nurses and one was a Korean teacher, the Yemeni military said in a statement

INDEX Asian countries led by Bangladesh and China dominated an index produced yesterday by the United Nations that estimates which populations are most at risk from earthquakes, floods, cyclones and landslides. IRAO Hundreds of Iragi prisoners have launched a protest at

dire prison conditions and systematic torture including rape, lawmakers said yesterday. The prisoners have gone on a partial hunger strike to try to draw the government's attention to their plight, said Ahmed al-Masoudi, a spokesman for supporters of Shiite cleric Moq-

tada al-Sadr.

Woman arrested for webcam abuse

PEDOPHILIA British detectives said an investigation into Internet child pornography had uncovered a woman in the U.S. suspected of using a webcam to broadcast live sexual abuse of her young child. British police launched the investigation when officers arrested an 18-year-old man in central England.

The following day, detectives contacted the U.S. Embassy, leading to the arrest of the woman in Maine. REUTERS

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Comment & Views

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Comment

Will Harper dance to Iggy's tune?



e play the tune, prime minister, you dance.

That was the message from Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff yesterday. He doesn't want an election, he told Stephen Harper, but if you don't meet our demands, there will be one.

That got Harper's atten-

That got Harper's attention. Though he doesn't like dancing to anyone's number but his own, it appears he's prepared to put on his waltzing shoes this time.

The two leaders are to meet today to try to work out a deal. It looks, for the moment at least, an election will be avoided. That's probably good for the Conservatives, not so good for the Liberals, who have that precious political commodity known as momentum working for them.

Most senior Liberal strategists want an election but feared being seen as forcing one against the public's will. They didn't want their leader to look like just another rank, opportunistic politician. Hence the compromise proposal. From the prime

minister Ignatieff wants easier eligibility for employment insurance, a plan for the long-term elimination of the deficit, more specifics on stimulus spending and a plan to deal with the isotope crisis

Employment insurance is the big one and the PM indicated he is amenable to changes. If he gives enough, Ignatieff will declare victory and everybody can relax until at least the fall. That will give

the Conservatives a chance to recoup.

Tracking polls put the Liberals six or seven points in front. The Lisa Raitt affair gave them a boost. And just this weekend, Tom Flanagan, Harper's longtime mentor, gave them another lift.

In an updated version of his book, Harper's Team, the senior Tory strategist essentially concedes the Harper critics have been right — that the PM has no vision, that he is guided

only by political considerations, and that he dealt a terrible blow to the party with his boneheaded fiscal update of last fall.

Coming from a Conservative, that's great ammunition. The Liberals would like to use it now. If the prime minister is smart, he won't give them the chance — not until the autumn leaves fall.

Lawrence Martin is a journalist and author of 10 books who writes about national affairs from Ottawa.

Views

Vigilante justice: A return to the Wild West



Some recent cases have resurrected the weighty issue of vigilantism. Although an offender may very well "get what he deserves," we need to carefully think through the potential dangers of supporting vigilantism.

Let's look at a couple cases: A 51-year-old man enters a Chinatown store in Toronto for the second time that same day. A

clerk, the store manager and owner team up to apprehend him, allegedly punching, kicking, and tying him up before stuffing him into a waiting van as police arrived. The apprehenders were the ones charged, although the courts have yet to determine whether this was actually a case of vigilantism or a zealous citizens' arrest

In Oklahoma City, two teens hold up a pharmacy. The surveillance camera shows the pharmacist shooting one of them in the head and chasing away the other. As the teen struggles on the floor, he is finished off with five more bullets. There has been an outpour-

ing of support for the pharmacist.

Support for vigilantism cannot be ignored. It represents an outcry that people are at the end of their tether with criminals terrorizing their communities.

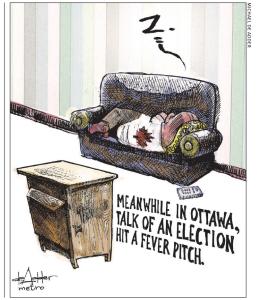
But there is a danger

But there is a danger when we become emotionally driven to support acts where angry citizens become police, judge, jury and executioner in one. It becomes an undermining of our judicial system and even a greater affront to our civilized democracy. We regress to the archaic and anarchic Wild West system of justice where vigilante groups filled a gap of an organized system. Some

of these groups even proved to be as nefarious as the criminals themselves.

There is no shortcut to a justice system that we may deem ineffectual. It will continue to be a work-in-progress. But there is some good news for those who want tougher crime legislation: Ottawa has introduced a bill to repeal the "faint hope" clause. If passed, the legislation would mean that anyone convicted of first- or second-degree murder would no longer be able to apply for early parole.

Christine Williams is the producer and host of the live current affairs daily talk show On the Line at CTS TV in Burlington, Ont.



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Australian radio station asks Branson to spare a million

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Home resale prices hit record in May

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REAL ESTATE Resale prices for Canadian homes rose to their highest average on record in May, while sales activity climbed for a fourth straight month as consumer confidence strengthened, according to an industry report released yesterday.

But rebounding sales in some of the most expensive markets skewed the national average, the Canadian Real Estate Association said in the report.

The average home price last month rose 0.4 per cent to \$319,757, topping the previous record set a year ago. It was the first year-over-year increase since May last year.

Home sales rose eight per cent to 37,649 units in May from April.

REUTERS

India Fighting child labour



Twelve-year-old Mamta Singh, a child labourer, carries a basket of sand by the river Balason on the outskirts of Siliguri, in eastern India, yesterday. The International Labour Organization celebrates World Day Against Child Labour on Friday.

Report wary of debt

Households under strain, says central bank

Climbing debt levels have put Canadian households under increased financial strain amid surging job losses, stagnating income growth and slumping personal wealth, says a new report by the Bank of Canada.

The central bank's twiceyearly Financial System Review, released yesterday, suggests that households are increasingly vulnerable to "adverse shocks" such as an even bigger jump in the unemployment rate. It found that weaker household finances also posed an "increased" risk to the Canadian financial system over the past six months as banks braced for more soured loans.

"Income growth has slowed, and personal wealth levels have been eroded by lower house prices in some regions,"

"Credit growth has continued to outpace income growth, contributing to higher debt levels."

Financial System Review statement

said the bank's report. "Credit growth has continued to outpace income growth, contributing to higher debt levels. At the same time, sharp increases in unemployment are raising the incidence of financial stress among households.

While Canadian household finances remain "reasonably healthy," the central bank highlighted certain areas of concern. For instance, household real

Xpressmusic, while Samsung

AIG The U.S. government bail-

out of AIG and bonuses paid by

the insurer cannot be brought

up during trial of the firm's suit

unveiled its Jet model.

net worth continued to decline in the fourth quarter of 2008. That figure, which reflects total household asminus liabilities, dropped by 6.7 per cent on a year-over-year basis to \$48.59 billion.

"This drop reflects the combined effect of increased household debt levels, weakening real estate assets and sharp losses in the value of financial assets caused by equity mar-ket declines," the bank said

Of key concern is the unemployment rate, which rose to 8.4 per cent in May. The Bank of Canada said those escalating job losses have fuelled a surge in personal bankruptcies. It also noted that more con-sumers are falling behind on their mortgages and credit card bills.

involving ex-CEO Maurice Greenberg, a judge ruled yesterday. AIG, claiming breach of

fiduciary duty, is seeking its shares held by Greenberg-con-

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Oil should not grow too fast: OPEC official

Fears rising over fuel's impact on economies

Oil prices should not rise too quickly and hurt the world economy, but a price of \$80 US a barrel would stimulate investment without putting a brake on growth, OPEC's secretary

general said yesterday.The price of oil hit a 2009 high near \$73 a barrel last week, up from below \$33 in mid-December, and politicians in consumer countries have started to express concern that the rally could threaten

their economies.
"Of course we do not want to see oil prices rising too rapidly, and certainly not to harm growth in the global economy," OPEC's Abdullah al-Badri said in an email response to questions. "We need a stable oil "I am concerned that high oil prices will affect the economy, but even at \$80 a barrel I am confident that this will not be the case."

Abdullah al-Badri

"Yes, I am concerned that high oil prices will affect the economy, but even at \$80 a barrel I am confident that this will not be the case.'

Oil around \$80 is the level that officials from the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries say is needed to ensure investment in new oil fields and refineries to meet the

world's future demand.

The slide in prices from a record high of more than \$147 hit last year effectively gave consumers a massive economic stimulus through cheaper fuel. But with the market turning, oil is becoming a worry once again.

French Economy Minister Christine Lagarde said last weekend G8 ministers wanted measures to curb volatility in oil markets. UK Finance Minister Alistair Darling said oil was a reason to be "cautious" about the economy.

Badri said oil prices re-mained largely driven by sentiment rather than supply and demand, reflecting the view of many analysts who say factors such as rising equities have been driving oil higher. REUTERS

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Ford nimble without government aid: Chairman

AUTO Ford Motor Co. has found advantages in going without the federal emergency aid that supports its domestic rivals, although the long-term implications of the government intervention are unclear, Ford chairman Bill Ford said yesterday.

"We don't know what the implications are going to be, but one thing is for sure: I like our position,' Ford told reporters on the sidelines of the National Summit in Detroit.

Chrysler filed for bankruptcy on April 30 and completed a buyout to a company led by Italy's Fiat SpA earlier in June. GM filed for bankruptcy on June 1 and hopes to complete a similar sale process by the end of August.

Both automakers had been supported by emergency U.S. government loans since the start of 2009, received additional support to enter bankruptcy and had, or will have, government support for their exit strategies.

We can make quick decisions, we can make the long-term decisions and we can continue to work the plan we have in place,' Ford said. "The ability to do that with minimal distraction and to operate nimbly and efficiently .. does give us an advantage." REUTERS

Business in brief

INSURANCE Sun Life Financial Inc. said yesterday it bought the U.K. operations of Lincoln Financial Group in a deal analysts said could be the start of an acquisition trend by Canadian insurers. Sun Life said it would acquire Lincoln's U.K.

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One of the reasons is that Larry shopped around for his car insurance and found a company with competitive rates for his driving profile, whereas Joe wrongly assumed the rate he had with his insurance company was as low as he was going to find by looking around.

There are many, many cases just like this where users with clean driving records are paying more than another, similar driver with tickets and accidents.

How Do I Get The Best Rates?

The single best way to ensure that you are getting the best rate on your car insurance is to shop around.

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f cleanliness and — adding a new dimension to the proverb — orderliness are next to godliness, my household is doomed to an eternity in purgatory.

From a mountain of solo socks to stacks of newspapers and magazines on the chairs, the space I work and live in is often in gentle disarray.

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Avoid letting all your bills and receipts pile up over the weeks.

Each day when you open the snail mail, check your email or clean out your wallet, slot everything into its place. Getting the items into a file with a specific intent is a big part of organization.

It is the eco-trend to go paperless but even so I recommend printing out ebills or proofs of payment as they arrive and filing them. Statements from banks, Canada Revenue Agency, RRSPs and RESPs belong in To Read.

Just getting the envelopes opened forces you to pay attention even if you don't



• To Read. To Pay. To File. Three simple steps are all it takes to keep your financial house in order.

have time to scrutinize the contents.

In the second, To File, put receipts relating to next year's taxes — daycare and medical receipts, for instance — and general purchase receipts.

Don't forget to keep grocery tabs and even receipts for small items: Anything you buy can be defective or unsuitable and the majority of non-sale items can be returned.

Finally, the category most people fret about, To Be Paid. Open, take a peek, circle the due date and in it goes. Twice a month clear out To Be Paid and once a month go through the To Read file and find a final resting place for everything in To File.

If you follow these three simple steps you'll keep your financial house in order and achieve a delightful sense of financial control.

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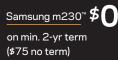
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Calgary and cities in Ontario show increased unemployment and economic decline. HENRY CHOO CHONG/FOR METRO CANADA

Don't wait for financial disaster to tidy up expenses Last year, the economy forced me to close my business. The business didn't make me wealthy, but I earned enough to pay my mortgage and car loan. I'm now in default on my mortgage and haven't made a car or credit card payment for almost three months. Should I apply for loans before my

credit rating is negatively affected? — Drev

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down and manage debts
and focus on increasing income. This may involve liquidating some assets such
as stock holdings or furnishings to satisfy your obliga-

tions. A loan can be useful, provided it's used to consolidate debt.

Keeping good credit impacts your ability to borrow, obtain competitive interest rates and lower insurance premiums as well as maintain a positive self-image. That's why it's important to be proactive — don't just wait for the hammer to fall.



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Crosby disrespectful: Zetterberg

Henrik Zetterberg says it was disrespectful for Penguins captain Sidney Crosby not to shake hands with all of Detroit's players after Pittsburgh won the Stanley Cup. Detroit captain Nicklas Lidstrom, who waited while Crosby celebrated winning the Cup with his teammates, said that Crosby would learn from the situation. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Sports



'Canes extend Maurice

In an effort to keep their coaching staff together after their run to the Eastern Conference final, the Carolina Hurricanes have agreed to terms with coach Paul Maurice, left, on a multi-year contract. Kevin McCarthy and Tom Rowe will remain, while Tom Barrasso will also take the title of assistant coach.

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Pittsburgh City of Champions



Sidney Crosby of the Pittsburgh Penguins holds the Stanley Cup aloft for the fans along the Blvd. of the Allies during the Stanley Cup Parade yesterday in Pittsburgh. The NFL's Pittsburgh Steelers followed the same parade route four months ago after winning the Super Bowl.

Senators shake up front office

HOCKEY Ottawa Senators president and chief executive officer Roy Mlakar will be leaving his post when his contract expires at the end of the month.

To replace Mlakar, Senators Sports and Entertainment owner Eugene Melnyk is promoting Cyril Leeder to president of the hockey club.

Erin Crowe will ioin Leeder on Melnyk's executive leadership team as executive vice-president and chief financial officer, while Bryan Murray will continue as the Senators general manager while adding executive vice-president duties to his duties. These appointments take effect on July 1.

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Sports in brief

DRIVER KILLED Driver Carlos Pardo was killed in a crash during the final laps of a NASCAR Mexico race, organizers said. Pardo was leading the race in the 97th lap when his car was nudged by a competitor and slid sideways into a wall at the entrance to the pit lane at about 120 m.p.h. Sunday. The car disintegrated as a result of the impact.

HATCHER RETIRES Derian Hatcher's tenure as an NHL defencemen ended yesterday — right around the time his coaching career began. Hatcher announced his retirement ending a 17-year playing career and was immediately named player development coach with Philadelphia, where he spent the past four years. Hatcher takes over the position from Eric Desiardins, another former Flyer who stepped down to pursue other interests.

GOLF Shingo Katayama of Japan

has withdrawn from the U.S. Open because of an injury to his upper back. Katayama is No. 39 in the world ranking, and finished fourth at the Masters in April, two shots out of a playoff. **SOCCER** The English Premier League has given Setanta until Friday to pay more than \$55 million it owes to retain its broadcast rights. An invitation has been issued for competing bids in the upcoming season and the rights will go to the highest bidder if Setanta fails to pay BURRESS The weapons possession case against former New York Giants wide receiver Plaxico Burress has been adjourned until September. The 31-year-old

Burress shot himself in the thigh with an unlicenced gun Nov. 29 while in a Manhattan nightclub. He was charged with criminal possession of a weapon and faces up to 31/2 years in prison.

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Coyotes to stay put

Judge says Balsillie's deadline too soon to move team

The Coyotes will remain in Phoenix after bankruptcy court Judge Redfield T. Baum rejected a proposed sale of the team to billionaire Jim Balsillie, who was set to move the team to Hamilton.

In his ruling, Baum said he didn't think certain unresolved issues could be resolved by a June 29 dead-line. Baum said he didn't think there was sufficient time for the issues to be presented to the court given that deadline. Baum also said the June 22nd auction date for the bankrupt team was cancelled.

Just last month, Coyotes owner Jerry Moyes filed for Chapter 11 reorganization with a proposed sale of \$212.5 million to PSE Sports & Entertainment LP,

Balsillie's response

"Jim Balsillie's bid to bring a seventh NHL team to Canada continues," spokesman Bill Walker said in a statement.

"The court still controls the sale process. As a result, we look forward to hearing from the NHL soon on its view of our relocation application and an appropriate relocation fee, so as to allow the court to deter-

which would move the team to southern Ontario. The new owner of the team would have been Balsillie, who is co-chief executive of Research in Motion.

Since moving to the desert in 1996 from Winnipeg, the team has consistently lost money and has

mine if that fee is reasonable. "We still think there is enough time for the NHL to approve Mr. Balsillie's application and move the team to Hamilton by September, The court invited mediation on these issues and Mr. Balsillie is willing to participate in such mediation if the NHL is also willing to do so."

had trouble drawing a fan base. The Coyotes have only made the playoffs five times since going to the desert and have never made it past the first round. Also, the team has had just one winning season since last making the playoffs in the 2002-03 sea-METRO NEWS SERVICES



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14 sports

The Minnesota Wild have hired San Jose Sharks assistant Todd Richards to be their next head coach. The Star-Tribune reported yesterday that METRO NEWS SERVICES Richards is expected to be formally introduced as the Wild's next head coach at a press conference today.

Sports make pleas for 2016 Games

OLYMPICS Seven sports hoping to be included in the 2016 Olympics made their pitch to the International Olympic Committee yesterday.

Golf, karate, squash, baseball, softball, roller sports and rugby are vying for a maximum of two

spots in the programme. The IOC, eager to revamp the schedule to attract younger audiences, will shortlist two of the seven sports in August before a final vote on their inclusion two months lat-

Madrid, Tokvo, Chicago and Rio de Janeiro are bidding to host the 2016 Games, with the host also picked in October.
"To be the first gold-

medal winner in 112 years? I will be 53 then," said 2010 European Ryder Cup captain Colin Montgomerie as golf presented its case to the IOC's executive board.

"We have missed out on that for more than a century," added the Briton. Golf was last an Olympic sport in 1904.

The presentation team showed a video with top players past and present including Jack Nicklaus and Tiger Woods pledging

"We want to get back to having an Olympic dream."

Softball chief Dan Porter

their support to golf's bid

to join the Olympics.

Baseball officials assured the IOC a "selection of the best players" would

be made available for the Olympics despite a clash with the Major League Baseball season.

No Major League games would be scheduled on the days of the medal matches.

"We do not want to compete against any Olympic broadcast," said international federation chief Harvey Schiller.

Baseball and softball be-

came the first sports to be taken off the programme in 2005 since polo was excluded in 1936 and will not feature in the 2012 London Games.

Wild pick new coach

"We want to get back to having an Olympic dream," said international softball chief Don Porter.

"We hope we did nough to get a enough favourable decision."

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Mauro Camoranesi of Italy and Jay Demerit of USA in action during the Confederations Cup match between USA and Italy played at the Loftus Versfeld Stadium yesterday in Pretoria, South Africa.

Italy beats United States

SOCCER Guiseppe Rossi set aside the mixed emotions of playing against the country of his birth to inspire Italy to a 3-1 win over the U.S. in Confederations Cup Group B yesterday.

The American-born striker fired home a stunning long-range equalizer just 60 seconds after coming on as a 57th-minute substitute and confirmed Italy's triumph with another goal in stoppage time.

Midfielder Daniel de Rossi banished bitter memories of his last encounter against the Americans

with a spectacular shot in the 72nd minute as the Italians swamped their 10man opponents in the sec-

American coach Bob Bradley was asked how he felt about conceding two goals to a player born in the U.S.

"I have known him since he was 10 years old," he said. "We had hoped he would play for us. He is a very talented young player and today is a very exciting day for him and a very disappointing one for us.



Mole risk factor for kids

Children have a five per cent increase in mole development with each waterside vacation, say researchers. Moles are a risk factor for malignant melanoma. Experts say you should apply waterproof sunscreen on your child often. BEST HEALTH MAGAZINE

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Many sexy reasons to smile



have "sex" as one of my personalized Google news searches in order to help find topics for this column. The problem is I rarely use the stories that come up because they almost always involve horrific sexual abuse or assault or a creepy sex crime.

As if the regular news wasn't depressing enough, the sex news also seems extra grim these days. So this week, I'm bucking the trend with some happy sex news stories.

We are constantly hearing that married people's sex lives inevitably end up in the toilet (the shelves of sex improvement books seem to support this), but a poll of 3,000 adults in the U.K. found that most couples enjoyed their best sex after four years together

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There's enough positive news about sex to keep couples happy, columnist Josey Vogels says.

because they felt their sexiest and were more confident showing off their body to their partner and more comfortable trying new things together.

Now even your sex life can be more eco-friendly with solar-powered vibrators like Sola, a small bullet-shaped vibrator powered by the sun. Or trade in your old toys for a \$10 coupon and free shipping on your next sex toy through the mail-in Sex Toy Recycling Program (re-

cyclemysextoy.com). Sorry, curbside pickup is not available.

Being a strong supporter of female orgasm (I've never met one I didn't like), I'm thrilled with U.S. anesthesiologist Dr. Lulu Marquez' campaign to make orgasm a right for women. "An orgasm should be a right," she said in one interview. "When you have a sexually satisfying encounter, you look beautiful and satisfied."
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ways have the coziest relationship so it's good to hear some sex-positive messages coming from the pulpit.

Sunny **Side**

Reverend Ed Young of the evangelical Fellowship Church in Texas told married members of his congregation to have sex every day for seven days to strengthen their marriages. His advice after the week was over? Keep going.

And while the traditional religious viewpoint is that married sex is the only acceptable way to go, a report by the Church of Scotland suggests allowing sex outside of marriage as long as it was about "genuine intimacy, not just a physical thrill, and did not mean being unfaithful to an existing committed relationship."

Wedad Lootah, a traditional Muslim who works as a marital counselor in Dubai, has authored Top Secret: Sexual Guidance for Married Couples in which she celebrates the female orgasm, confronts taboo topics like homosexuality and urges Arabs to transcend the backward traditions that limit their sexual happiness. Despite death threats, Lootah believes educating the public is worth the risk.

And finally, three words: Christian Sex Toys. Find them at mybelovedsgarden.net.

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Brangelina makes \$1 million hospital donation

Angelina Jolie and Brad Pitt donated \$1 million US to St. John's Hospital in Pitt's hometown of Springfield, Mo., over the weekend. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Depp top date Entertainment Johnny Depp topped a poll asking which famous father people would over 40 per cent of the sp vote, followed by Brad Pitt with 33.5 per cent. METRO NEWS SERVICE

Return of No Doubt

Pop-rockers hit road seeking inspiration for new album

IAN NATHANSON for Metro Canada

The revived No Doubt is hitting the road this summer hoping to jump-start some fresh ideas for the California pop-rockers' first new album since 2001's Rock Steady.

That's the whole reason why we doing this tour,' lead singer Gwen Stefani tells Metro during a telephone news conference. 'We just want to get out there, get inspired and get out of the house. I don't really expect to be writing any songs while we're touring, but this'll be a kind of new experiment to find some further inspiration.

In early 2008, guitarist Tom Dumont, bassist Tony Kanal and drummer Adrian Young started putting together some ideas while Stefani was pregnant with her second child at the time and finished promoting her second solo effort, 2006's The Sweet Escape. She and her alt-rocker husband Gavin Rossdale welcomed a new son, Zuma, that August.

"I just had a new baby which was totally emotional and difficult, and I had to be in mom mode for the last little while," Stefani explains of why the songwriting process was slow on her part. "You can't really press a button and just write a song. For me, it's

No Doubt live

No Doubt plays the Pengrowth Saddledome on July 15.

both labouring and in need

of some inspiring."
At this point, the group admits, it's uncertain which musical direction the as-yet-untitled record expected to be released in 2010 — will follow.

When No Doubt broke through in 1995 with its third album, Tragic Kingdom, the four were in full ska-punk-pop mode with hit singles Sunday Morning, Just A Girl and the ballad Don't Speak, written in the wake of a relationship

breakup between Stefani and Kanal.

The followup, 2000's Return To Saturn, maintained some of its skapunk past with single Ex-Girlfriend but drifted towards radio-friendly pop with Simple Kind Of Life.

In 2001, album No. 5 Rock Steady mixed electronica, funk, Jamaican dancehall and pop and spawned hits out of Hey Baby, Hella Good, Underneath It All and Running. A greatest-hits set followed two years later supported by an upbeat cover of Talk Talk's It's My Life.

So far, the only new song to come from No Doubt surfaced during the recently aired second-season fi-



No Doubt frontwoman Gwen Stefani tells Metro, "We just want to get out there, get inspired and get out of the house."

nale to the TV drama Gossip Girl. The four, making a cameo under the group name Snowed Out, performed a pop-rock rendition of Adam & The Ants' Stand And Deliver.

We were never plan-

ning to do that, it just hap pened to come along while were making this new record," Stefani says. "But it turned out to be a really good exercise for us, trying to compete with the per-fection of the original."

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Mental
Lots of kids are into video
games, but for one of Jack's
patients, it's all in his head. He's
an 8-year-old bipolar boy obsessed with a video game that
exists only in his imagination.
When he attempts suicide and
then flees the psych ward, Jack
resorts to some mind games
of his own to save the boy in
the new episode "Manic at the
Disco." 10 PM on CICT KAYU



Every Second Counts Every Second counts
Isn't it susually the parent who
wants the kid to pursue a "sensible" career and the kid who
wants to do something cool? The
roles are reversed in this drama,
which stars Stephen Collins as
a retired rodeo rider with championship drams for his tepnane. pionship dreams for his teenage daughter, who wants to become a veterinarian. 2 PM on SHOW

Natalie MacMaster & Friends

To avoid confusion, please note that MacMaster is not the focus of this special. The focus focus of this special. The focus is Cape Breton music and culture, which is captured in this film of a concert performed by the music troupe Cape Breton Live. So expect tons of fiddling, step-dancing and corny comedy. Other performers include Glenn Graham and Troy MacGillivray. 7 PM on BRAVO

Polaris long list unveiled

MUSIC If there's one constant in the music world it's that people love lists - top ten lists, best of lists, year-end lists and on and on. But winning a spot on one particular list could earn a band big bucks and throngs of fans.

The Polaris Music Prize long list, which was unveiled yesterday, features 40 Canadian artists chosen by 181 music journalists from across the country. Musicians such as Leonard Cohen, K'Naan and Handsome Furs all made the cut, and are likely crossing their fingers that they'll make Polaris' short list, which will be announced July 7. If they do, they'll be one of 10 acts up for the \$20,000 grand prize for best album. View the complete list at

metronews.ca/music.

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Thandie to teach

Thandie Newton is to put her acting skills to good use teaching acting at Oprah Winfrey's Leadership Academy, a boarding school for girls growing up in poverty in South Africa. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK



entertainment 17

25 years of Ghostbusting

Sequel rumours, game release mark milestone

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In fact, the film is now celebrating its 25th anniversary, and to mark the milestone, fans can snap up a new Blu-ray and a videogame featuring the voices of the original cast.

Given that longevity, its also worth noting that the role of Canadian filmmaker Ivan Reitman in Ghost-busters' success has long been underrated. Without Reitman, the film likely wouldn't have made it to the screen.

"Dan Aykroyd originally wrote Ghostbusters for himself and John Belushi in the late '70s," says Reitman. "It took place in the future and in outer space with competing teams of Ghostbusters catching ghosts and aliens. Even back in the 1980s that would have cost hundreds of millions of dollars and frankly, it wasn't very funny."

Aykroyd may have planned a drastically different movie, but fortunately, Reitman

knew how to make the idea work. "I had

lunch with video game Danny and 'You said. out today have this wonderful idea here, but instead of setting it in the future and in outer space, let's set it today in a big American city with The

out," recalls Reitman.
"He said 'Sure, I'll do
that.' So we pitched it and
the studio gave us the
money before we had a
script. We had to deliver
the movie in 13 months."

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Ghostbusters

It says a lot about the considerable talent involved that the movie was cobbled together so quickly with a great deal of improvisation ("I really believe in writing the last draft of the screenplay while we're shooting it," says Reitman) and still went on to become the highest grossing comedy of its time.

All these years later, the movie is still beloved by anyone with a pulse and there are even

ame rumblings about another sequel — something that will only take place if the original creators want to be involved.

"There's certainly a lot of interest and we've been talking about it," says Reitman. "All of us have to agree on making the movie and we're waiting for a screenplay to get delivered at the moment. But it's a real possibility."

Fans will inevitably be crossing their fingers (but for safety's sake, not their streams) until the decision is made.

DVD picks

verse.

Friday the 13th Director: Marcus Nispel

PEOPLE WHO always order the same beer and pizza toppings will love Marcus Nispel's remake of Friday the 13th, one of the original and most successful of the slasher film franchises. Despite its upgrade in technical and acting prowess (seriously), the story retains its Old Testament premise of harsh retribution for the sexually frisky and the racially di-

Hockey-masked Jason Voorhees is as determined and unsocial as ever, dealing out death via blade, arrow, spike or axe to whomever crosses his path at Crystal Lake, his remote camp retreat.

A double prologue sets Jason's "on" switch when his mom flips her lid, followed by a camping trip where he goes medieval on some uninvited guests. The two events set in motion a family quest saga that has worried brother Clay (Jared Padalecki from TV's Gilmore Girls and Supernatural) seeking out his



Derek Mears starts as Jason in Friday the 13th.

missing sister, in the accidental company of other hunks and hotties. We know what's going to happen when Jason's vorpal blade goes snicker-snack, and not even the order of dispatch is much of a mystery.

tery.
Depending on what DVD version you seek, there are extras galore, including an extended cut (11 minutes longer), a trivia track and various celebrations of the Jason mystique — anyone for The 7 Best Kills?

One Week

Director: Michael McGowa

A CANADIAN ROAD trip movie that stars a sullen guy with terminal cancer and more Canuck symbols than an RCMP musical ride seems tailor-made to grind the teeth of the most patriotic citizen. Yet One Week manages to celebrate life and Canada without jerking tears or waving the flag too strenuously.

Ben Tyler (Joshua Jackson) is droning away at a dullsville Toronto job, avoiding his ambitions and sleepwalking into marriage with his fiancée Samantha (Liane Balaban), when he learns the clock is ticking on a cancer diagnosis, and survival isn't guaranteed even if he submits to brutal treatment.

Ben instead opts to skip town on a newly acquired motorbike, heading to B.C. on a trip he knows is delaying the inevitable.

Extras include a director's commentary, cast interviews and behind-thescenes footage plus bonus road trippage. Peter Howell/

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Paris Hilton and Cristiano Ronaldo have vowed to make their long-distance relationship work. The socialite and the soccer star have promised to remain faithful to each other while Paris is in Dubai filming a new TV show. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Celebrity Buzz

Chris and Rihanna's run-in

ON BEST BEHAVIOUR Rihanna and Chris Brown separately sat courtside at an NBA Finals game in Florida last week, the Daily News says.

Sources say Brown kept stealing glances at Rihanna's section in the first half, and tried to make nice with her camp after halftime — though Rihanna was nowhere to be seen. "Chris was definitely trying to make the situation less awkward," said a source. "He was try-

ing to be very grown-up, and wanted Rihanna to see that as well." METRO WORLD

NEWS

Fox has eye on 'Korean JT' Rain

ON THE MARKET Actress Megan Fox confirms her relationship with Brian Austin Green is off again.

"I'm currently what you would call single I guess, she said, according to the Sun. As far as who she may like to date next, Fox said, "There is this Korean Justin Tim-

berlake named Rain, and I'm really on his situation now."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Madonna prepares for Mercy

KID ON THE WAY Madonna is moving her newly adopted daughter into a luxury lodge in Malawi today, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The singer has sent a nanny and a nurse to look after toddler Mercy James while immigration paperwork is completed in the African country, allowing her to be flown to the U.S. where she will join the rest of Madonna's family.

Mercy was taken to the lodge in the country's

capital, Lilongwe, after Madonna won an appeal hearing to adopt her on Friday. She was initially refused the right to adopt in April, on the grounds she hadn't lived in the coun-

try for 18 months prior to the adoption — usually a prerequisite for adoptive parents. Once

paperwork complete, Mercy will be flown to New York where she will join Madonna, 50, and her new sister Lourdes, 12. and brothers Rocco, eight and David Banda, three who was also adopted from Malawi.

Mercy's biological father James Kambewa said: "Let the child go. My only plea to Madonna is that she should seriously look after

the child.
"I am asking to make sure that, while the child is growing, she must be in-formed of me as her biological father.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

More than gossip fodder

SPEAKING OUT Until now. Oksana Grigorieva's name has been more associated with Hollywood gossip than with musical chops – the Russian-born singer and pianist is pregnant with Mel Gibson's child but Grigorieva hopes

that will change starting with yesterday's release of Say My Name, the first single from her forthcoming album, Beautiful Heartbreak.

A classically trained pianist who hails from Saransk, Russia,

the 39-year-old penned every song on the album except for Say My Name, which exclusively debuted on people.com — for that track, she collaborated on the lyrics with none other than Gibson himself.

Stavin' together

"It is the first and one of the simplest songs on the album, but also one of the most intimate," said Grigorieva. "It is naked, intimate, raw emotion, little more than piano and voice as if it is a cry from the soul."

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MJ trains with The Hull

PUMP IT UP Michael Jackson is being trained by Lou Ferrigno, femalefirst.co.uk re-

The Incredible Hulk actor — and former Mr. Universe — is reportedly paying secret visits to the singer's Los Angeles home to help him prepare for his forthcoming run of shows at London's O2 are-

source told Britain's The Sun: "Lou has been visiting Michael

to build him up so he can perform his dance routines

"But Michael refuses to lift weights. He doesn't want to bulk up."
The 50-year-old singer —

who weighs a reported 126 lbs and eats just



cancer and is said to believe gaining weight will damage his chances of beating the disease.

The two struck up a friendship two years ago when the singer began using Ferrigno's gym. He said at the time: "Michael is more delicate. Our trainer conditioned him for

> dancing.
> "He likes me, he feels safe with me. He was nervous about people looking at him when training."

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Farrah not on deathbed: Rep

RUMOUR MILL Farrah Fawcett is not close to death, according to a representative who says the cancerstricken Charlie's Angels star remains in a "stable condition" and is still re-ceiving treatment, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The 62-year-old has been battling anal cancer for the last three years and allowed cameras to chart her since struggle she was first diagnosed in Far-2006. rah's Story, pulled mil-

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viewers when it aired on U.S. television last month. But ever since the emotional show, the star has been dogged by rumours her health is failing, with

many gossip sites speculating she has since given up on chemotherapy.

But a rep for Fawcett's longtime partner, Ryan O'Neal, has dismissed those claims, telling Fox News, "Ms. Fawcett's condition has not changed. She is stable and remains under treatment by her doctor."

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Crossword across

1 Speech imperfection 5 Oklahoma city 8 Rose feature

12 Job-safety grp.

13 Jewel

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19 Ditch 21 Brazilian dance

24 Good, to a rapper 25 Satiate

26 "Hee Haw" co-host

30 Venomous viper 31 Sibling of Peter Rabbit

32 Tiny 33 Merit badge earner, perhaps

35 Took the bus

36 Overly theatrical

37 Boutique 38 King's perch

41 Journal

42 Coffin stand

43 Buzz Lightyear's movie

48 Harmonization

49 Pair

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51 Trail

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53 Understand intuitively

Crossword down

1 Part of UCLA 2 Equi-

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7 February birthstone

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23 Tending to brood (Var.)

24 Annoying ad on a PC

26 Sleeping-car area 27 MPs' quarry

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34 Burn around the edges

35 Unkempt

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39 Informal greeting

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Green Pasta Salad

INGREDIENTS

1 lb (500 g) green fettuccine 8 oz (250 g) cherry tomatoes

2 small Mediterranean (Lebanese) or pickling cucumbers

8 oz (250 g) arugula 1 medium red onion, finely sliced

8 oz (250 g) bocconcini black olives for garnish

BASIL PESTO:

1 cup (250 ml) fresh basil leaves

2 cloves garlic, roughly chopped

1 tbsp (15 ml) pine nuts 4 tbsp (60 ml) grated pecorino

6 tbsp (90 ml) olive oil 3 tbsp (45 ml) lemon juice 2 tbsp (25 ml) vegetable stock

salt and freshly ground black pepper

METHOD:

1. Cook pasta in plenty of lightly salted boiling water until al dente, following package instructions. Drain, rinse under cold running water and leave to cool. Cut tomatoes in half. Slice cucumbers in half lengthwise and slice thinly. 2. Combine tomatoes, cucumbers, arugula, onion and pasta in large bowl. Drain bocconcini and mix into salad.

3. To make basil pesto, clean leaves by wiping with paper towel; do not wash. Combine basil, garlic, pine nuts and pecorino in food processor and process finely. Combine oil, lemon juice and stock in small bowl and add to mixture in steady stream with motor running until amalgamated. Add salt and pepper to taste.

4. Stir basil pesto into salad or serve separately. Spoon salad into individual bowls and garnish with olives.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

ARIES

MARCH 21-APRIL 20 It may annoy you that friends and colleagues seem intent on disrupting your routine, but there's not much you can do

about it SEPT 23-OCT 23

By all means aim high and take on challenges that stretch you, but don't aim so high that success is almost impossible. Everyone has limits.

TAURUS

APRIL 21-MAY 21

Certain people may be giving you a hard time about what you owe, financially or otherwise, but you must not let it get to vou.

SCORPIO OCT 24-NOV 22

Something that seems of the utmost triviality to you is of major importance to other people and you need to recognize that fact.

GEMINI

MAY 22-JUNE 21 Mercury, your ruler, aspects power planet Pluto today,

which is as clear a message as you could hope for that now is not the time to rock the boat **SAGITTARIUS**

NOV 23-DEC 21

Today's Mercury-Pluto cautions you to keep your temper in check. Getting along may be hard, but it is quite easy to stay out of people's way.

CANCER

JUNE 22-JULY 22 A fear you thought you had overcome will make a reappearance today but there is no need for alarm. Focus your mind on happy images.

CAPRICORN DEC 22-JAN 20

Make an extra special effort to help people today. No matter how busy you may be on the work front you can still find time to assist those who need it.

LEO JULY 23-AUG 23

It may sometimes seem as if the world is falling apart, but is it really or is that just the effect of all the negative voices you hear every day?

AQUARIUS JAN 21-FEB 18

It may seem as if you have lost the advantage you once had, at work or in your social group, but there is no need to worry. Everything moves in cycles.

sallybrompton.com VIRGO

AUG 24-SEPT 22

The message of the stars today is that you must stop clinging to things you should have long outgrown. The past may be safe, but the future is where it's at

PISCES

FFR 19-MARCH 20

Friends or family? Who do you give the most attention to? Only you can decide. Remember friends often change, but family always remains the same.

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